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SUBJECT: COMOROS: BELGIAN FORMULA ON RECOGNITION

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1. WE ASKED FOREIGN MINISTRY'S AFRICAN DESK OFFICER (VERKAMMEN) WHAT WAS "BELGIAN FORMULA" ON RECOGNITION OF COMOROS. VERKAMMEN SAID BELGIUM AND COMOROS ESTABLISHED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS NOVEMBER 15,1976,

WITH A JOINT COMMUNIQUE THAT COMPLETELY AVOIDED QUESTION OF MAYOTTE. BELGIUM HAS TAKEN NO POSITION ON FRENCH RETENTION OF ISLAND OF
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MAYOTTE AND WISHED TO DUCK ISSUE DURING DISCUSSION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF BELGIAN-COMOROS RELATIONS. AT THE REQUEST OF COMOROS, BELGIUM AGREED TO INSERTION IN THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF THE PHRASE "BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS" WHICH COMOROS THOUGH WOULD BE HELPFUL IN THEIR DISPUTE WITH FRANCE OVER MAYOTTE. VERKAMMEN SAID FRENCH RAISED THE MATTER OF THE PHRASE WITH THE BELGIANS "BUT DID NOT OBJECT."

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2. FOLLIWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF JOINT COMMUNIQUE:
"THE GOVERNMENT OF THE BELGIAN KINGDOM AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COMORAN STATE, WISHING TO DRAW CLOSER THE BONDS OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO PEOPLES AS WELL AS PROMOTE THEIR COOPERATION BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS, AGREE TO ESTABLISH, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 15, 1976, DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AT THE AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL." RENNER

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